



Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/212,556
Filing Date	December 16, 1998
First Named Inventor	Shinichi KURAKATA
Art Unit	1623
Examiner Name	Howard V. Owens, Jr.
Attorney Docket Number	980689/HG

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge **any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to**
- a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 06-1378
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 11/10/2003 BABRAHA1 00000113 09212556
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 770.00 OP
- iii. ☒ Other any deficiencies
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 & \$110.00 enclosed.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Marshall J. Chick	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	26,853
Signature		Date	November 5, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

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